14th December 1938]

Status of teachers in aided schools.

* 129 *Q.*—MR. J. A. SALDANHA: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Legal Departments be pleased—

(*a*) to place before the House a statement showing the grievances sought to be remedied in the status and conditions of teachers in aided schools and to state—

(*b*) in what respect and to what extent they were remedied in the recent orders amending the Educational Rules;

(*c*) what defects in the said amendments are brought to the notice of Government by the associations and institutions concerned; and

(*d*) what action the Government have decided to take or contemplate taking on the representations made in the interests of teachers and managers of aided institutions?

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN:—" (*a*) & (*b*) The hon. Member apparently refers to the amendments to the rules under the Madras Elementary Education Act recently issued. A perusal of the new rules will show in what respects they are intended to bring about an improvement in the conditions of service of teachers in aided elementary schools.

" (*c*) The rules referred to were published by Government and every opportunity was given for criticisms, objections and suggestions to be submitted to Government. Such criticisms and suggestions as were received were carefully considered by Government before the rules were confirmed.

" (*d*) As indicated in the answer to clause (*c*), representations from teachers and managers have already been considered by Government. After the rules have been in force for some time the Government will be in a better position to state whether any further alterations are necessary."

Security furnished by the Executive Officer, Sri Karpaganathar temple, Tanjore district, and its income for fasli ending with June 1938.

* 130 *Q.*—SRI RAO BAHADUR M. RAMAKRISHNA REDDI: With reference to answer given to starred question No. 37 put at the meeting held on 19th August 1938, will the Hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) why the amount of security has been fixed as Rs. 500 when the security obtained from the previous treasurer was Rs. 1,000; and

(*b*) whether the information called for with regard to the actual income of the temple for the fasli year ending with June 1938, has been received and if so, what it is?